For Elisa test, there are 67 surveillance centres attached to Microbiology Departments of Medical Colleges/Institutions in different parts of the country. In addition, there are 66 blood testing centres located Elisa tst is being done. Thus, facilities for testing for HIV infection are available at 108 Centres in the country.

The facility for confirmatory Western Blot test is available at the following Centres:—

(i) National Institute of Communicable Diseases, Delhi.

(ii) All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi.

(iii) National Institute of Virology, Pune.

(iv) Institute of Immuno Haomatology, Bombay.

(v) Christian Medical College Vellore (Tamil Nadu).

(vi) Madras Medical College, Madras.

(vii) National Institute of Cholera and Enterir Diseases, Calcutta.

(viii) Srhool of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta.

(d) There is at present no cure for AIDS Therefore, the question of tests required to declare infected persons as cured, does not arise.

Compulsory Sterilisation

1913. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for compulsory sterilisation after second living child; and

(b) if so, whether the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) There is no proposal at present under consideration of Government for compulsory sterlisation after second living child.

Research activities of CCRUM

1914. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of research activities in the field of clinical research, drug Research, literary research and survey and cultivation of medicinal plants carried out by CCRUM during the last three years, year wise and during the current year so far;

(b) the addresses of Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine, Hyderabad, Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine, Drug Standardisation Research Units, Literary Research Institute, New Delhi, Central Herb Garden and Museum, Lucknow, Chemical Research Unit Aligarh; and

(c) the steps being 'aken to boost the other activities of CCRUM?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Representation of SC/ST and Minorities in the Selection Boards

1915. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of India's instructions of August, 1990 for inclusion of representatives of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and Minorities in the selection Committees/Boards have been implemented by his Ministry;

(b) if so, what are the details of such bodies and organisations under his Ministry where the instructions have been implemented;

(c) what are the names of bodies which have not implemented the instructions and the reasons therefor; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government/institutions in this regard?